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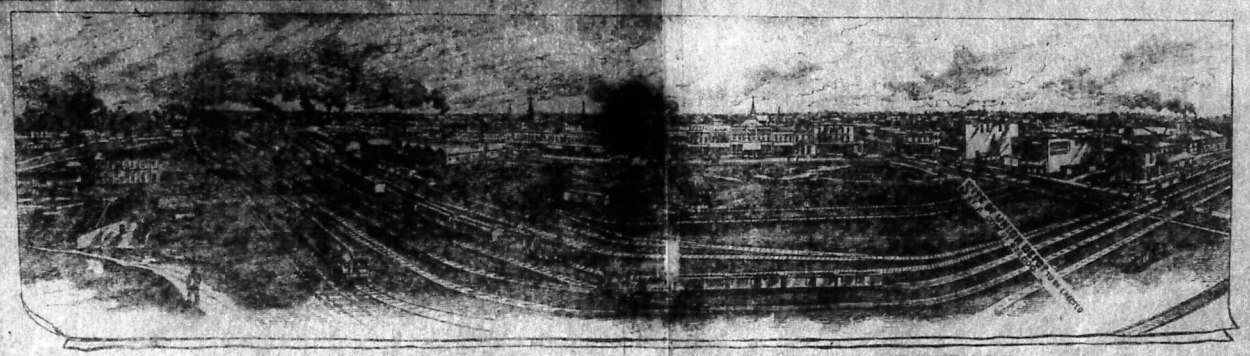
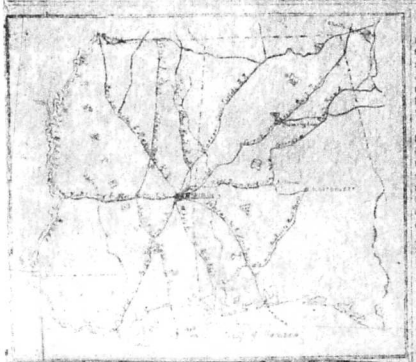


BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN.



CITY OF MERIDIAN.

A Great Railroad Centre.

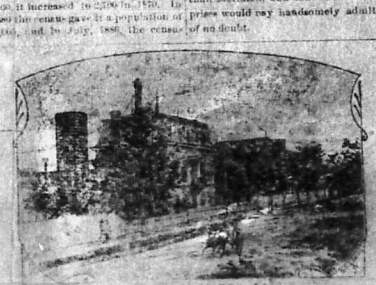
Its Rapid Growth and Prosperity.

Unprecedented Increase in Wealth and Population.

Meridian is the county seat of Lauderdale county, Mississippi, situated at the junction of the Vicksburg and Meridian, East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia, Alabama Great Southern and New Orleans and Northeastern, with the Mobile and Ohio railroads. It is 86 miles north of Mobile, 140 miles east of Vicksburg and 150 miles northeast of New Orleans. It is located near the eastern border of the State, in a most salubrious region, in the midst of the pine woods of East Mississippi and is one of the healthiest towns in the South. Besides the railroads above mentioned, there are three other roads certain of completion in the next two years. These are the Warrior Coal Fields railroad, the Pensacola and Memphis railroad, and the Brookhaven and Meridian railroad. Without these railroads Meridian is already next to Atlanta, the greatest railroad centre in the South. With these railroads that are certain to be built, it will be the equal of Atlanta in railroad facilities.

INCREASE IN POPULATION.

It increase in population is unprecedented in the State, and with the single exception of Birmingham, Ala., unprecedented in the South, or indeed in any part of the United States. From a village of less than 300 in 1860, it increased to 2,500 in 1870. In 1880 the census gave it a population of 10,624, and in July, 1886, the census



[illegible] by the city showed a population of 9,500. It will be seen that the last accounts of Meridian [illegible] have been a steady increase of 10,000 to 15,000 a year. The property values are valued at $10,000,000. In 1880 it was assessed at $2,450,350, an increase of over 300 per cent.

MANUFACTURES.

Meridian has already a number of prosperous manufacturing enterprises and others are being organized and will soon be put in operation. Among those are the Meridian Sash, Blind Factory, the Southern Stand Company, the Progress Manufacturing Company, the Meridian Planing Mill, the Meridian Fertilizer Factory, the Phosphate Manufacturing Company, the Planters' Compress, the Gin Works, the Railroad Shops of the Queen and Crescent Railroad, employing over 200 men, Wiggins, Machine Shops and Foundry, Gurley's Saddle and Harness factory, two cigar factories and a number of other smaller enterprises. These various manufacturing concerns employ an aggregate of from 1,200 to 1,500 men, many of them skilled mechanics, and they all find a ready sale for the articles produced, and are constantly able to keep up with their orders.

Meridian has two National banks, two steam grist and flour mills, a street railroad, one daily and two weekly newspaper and job offices, and over three hundred business houses.

Among these are several wholesale establishments which are doing a large and increasing business.

At a convenient distance and easily connected by rail with the iron mines and coal fields of Alabama, and surrounded by an inexhaustible supply of the best pine, oak, hickory, cypress, sweet gum and other valuable timbers, there is no more inviting location for manufactures in the United States. No place in the South is more favorably situated for cotton factories or the manufacture of furniture, wagons, agricultural implements, &c., than Meridian, and that such enterprises would pay handsomely admits of no doubt.

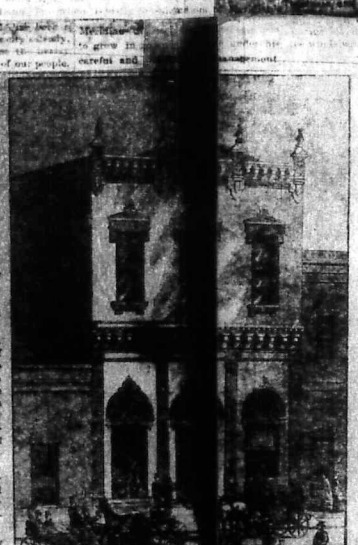
COTTON SUPREMACY.

Meridian for several years has been the largest cotton market in the State. Over 50,000 bales are handled here annually. About 30,000 bales of this comes here in wagons from the counties of East Mississippi and West Alabama, and the balance is shipped here by rail.

Our readers will find on this page a handsome bird's-eye view of the city of Meridian, and also a map showing the railroad connections. We also present in this issue illustrations of a number of the public buildings, business houses and private residences of our growing city. It can be seen that, as compared to what Meridian was a few years ago, show no trifling progress, but anything we could write, the substantial growth of the city

THE MERIDIAN NATIONAL BANK.

This institution, of which Meridian is justly proud, was organized and commenced operations in 1881. It [illegible]



THE MERIDIAN NATIONAL BANK.

[illegible] Meridian [illegible] to grow in [illegible] careful and [illegible] respect and confidence of our people.

The President, Mr. Wistar Brown, one of Philadelphia's most citizens, a gentleman of large wealth and high social position. Mr. Brown is widely known throughout the cotton states as the owner of the Conserva Cotton Mills. Mr. Brown is also a prominent stockholder in the Provident Life and Trust Company and Central National Bank of Philadelphia and of the several banks in the system in which the Merician National belongs.

The Vice President, Mr. E. Watkins, one of Meridian's business citizens, well known throughout this whole section of country, is a member of the law firm of Powell, Watkins & Brahan, counsel to the Queen and Crescent railroad system. Mr. Watkins is a successful, well balanced business man, whose transactions seem always successful.

The stock is held by our most substantial citizens, among whom are I. L. Barber, of Barber, George & Lyerly; J. E. Buckley, of Enterprise, Ed. of S. F. Cassell, E. E. Harris, of W. S. Harris & Bro.; J. C. Lloyd, M. Bowers, Dr. W. W. Downey, of Forest; L. Marks, of Marks, Lichtenstein & Co.; J. N. Melton, H. P. Ormond, of Ormond & McInnis; A. J. Pyle, B. F. Quarles, of Quarles, Rogers & Brandt; B. Rosenbaum, H. W. Sloan, Dr. A. H. Smith, L. A. Wetherbee, of Waynesboro; R. H. Whitfield, M. D. Lyle, Jno. McKenzie, E. Watkins, J. H. Wright, Geo. S. Covert, President Sash and Blind Factory, A. B. Wagner, L. Lowi. This list which embraces the names of most of our prominent citizens, is supplemented by those of some of the best known capitalists of New York and Pennsylvania among whom are: T. Wistar Brown, of the Provident Life and Trust Co.; Jas. Farquhar & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; S. S. Paine, President First National Bank, Bradford, Pa.; Vice President Sprague National Bank, New York City; S. T. Morris, President Central National Bank, Philadelphia, Pa.; W. A. Pullman, President National Bank, New York City; General Manager Pullman Palace Car Company; United Fuel Gas Co.; J. M. Guffey, President First National Bank, Bradford, Pa.; Jas. Scott, of Scott Oil Company, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa.

The [illegible] Cary, E. M. Cary Brown, L. L. Barber, Geo. S. Covert, E. Watkins, R. E. King, S. S. Boyce, J. F. Charles, Harris, B. F. Ormond, J. C. Arthur, H. W. Sloan, J. A. Wetherbee, Lloyd, D. H. Wright.

The bank occupies a handsome building on Centre street, one of the most [illegible] in the city. The [illegible] is [illegible] and [illegible] power to [illegible] Meridian [illegible] Wright [illegible] Vicksburg [illegible] in the state [illegible] Bank [illegible] He is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

MERIDIAN AN EDUCATIONAL POINT

The color climate of [illegible] invigorates as a tonic to the nervous system. Here we have nearly every facility for good education. The East Mississippi Female College for the education of young ladies has no superior in the state. The public school system is complete in every detail, and affords a good liberal education to the masses of our children. The Whitfield Graded School with over 500 pupils in daily attendance is in successful and permanent operation, and is growing in popularity and efficiency every day. The Whitaker school for colored pupils, with over 400 pupils, is equal to the best in the state.

No city in the Gulf States can boast of better art and music teachers than Meridian. Besides we have facilities for the study of telegraphy, stenography, typewriting and many other practical professions. Families looking for homes in the south can feel assured that here there is no want of educational facilities, and may feel safe as to the healthfulness of our city.

WIATT & HANDLEY,

Dealers in Furniture, Upholstery, &c.

The firm of Wiatt & Ethridge, dealers in furniture, was recently dissolved, and has been succeeded by the new firm of Wiatt & Handley. The members of the new firm are well-known to the public. Mr. Wiatt has been in the business for the last twelve years, and has made many friends. Mr. Handley is one of the most substantial citizens, and is an experienced and reliable merchant. They have abundant capital, and will do a large business. To accommodate their increasing business Mr. Handley is erecting a two story brick building in the rear of their store which will be devoted exclusively to the storage of furniture, and the upholstering business. They intend to make the latter a special feature in their trade, and have a number of competent upholsterers in their employment and can furnish anything needed in that line at short notice and at the lowest prices. Buying their goods in large quantities, they can afford to sell cheap, and the public can rely on getting the best articles at bottom prices. When you visit the city give them a call.

WILLIAMS & BRIGGS,

Foundry and Machine Shop.

This industry has been widing its sphere of usefulness from its very beginning and the demand for its products have so increased that its enlargement has become necessary. The work done by this concern heretofore will secure it a large trade and with increased facilities it will be more extensively patronized than ever. As evidence of the value of this movement to the development of the industries of the city has been evinced by the successful canvass made by Mr. Briggs, with the view and [illegible]

F. KLINE & CO., JOHNSON ST.

This house, of which the well-known Mr. Abe Kline is general manager, deals in dry goods, groceries and general merchandise. Mr. Abe Kline has been engaged in mercantile business in this county for seventeen years, making his start with the house of Ochs, Kline & Co., in Lauderdale, where he did a successful business for many years. The house was removed from Lauderdale to this city and did an extensive business up to the day of its dissolution. The house of F. Kline & Co. is centrally located, [illegible]

C. KLINE & CO.

This house is located on the southwest corner of Johnson and Sidney streets, and its courteous manager, Mr. Ike Kline, is well known in this county and city. He has been engaged in commercial life at Lauderdale and Meridian together for nineteen years, and his genial manners together with his straightforward business capacity have built up for the house a lucrative business.

C. Kline & Co. carry a full line of staple and fancy groceries and all the choicest and rare confections and edibles to be found in the market. Their goods are the purest and best that money can buy, and no shoddy goods are ever sent out from this favorite family grocery store. Call and see the stock and prices.

G. M. HEISS, BOOKS, ETC.

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MERIDIAN CIGAR M[illegible]

Among the new [illegible] Meridian that deserve [illegible] the Meridian Cig[illegible] This company, under the [illegible] management of Mr. Geo. [illegible] menced business in M[illegible] ly two or three hands doing a large busin[illegible] tion to fifteen hands the best cigars [illegible] Their cigars are [illegible] favor and are [illegible] only in Meridian [illegible] that true to this [illegible] prise is successful [illegible]

ORMOND & McINNIS

Cotton Factors and Wholesale Provision Dealers.

This well established house, successor to the old firm of Broach, Ormond & McInnis, the business of which was inaugurated by Mr. John D. McInnis in 1867, the pioneer in the provision & cotton business in this city. Mr. McInnis enjoys the entire confidence of this community and surrounding country, being raised in Sumter county, Ala., and by his connection with the trade in various localities he has become well known. The firm was next changed to Broach & McInnis in 1878, and in 1882 Mr. B. F. Ormond became associated with the house, Mr. Broach retiring, leaving the firm of Ormond & McInnis as Cotton Factors and Provision Brokers on Front street. Mr. B. F. Ormond is also well known, having been for years engaged in a [illegible]

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[illegible] Mr. Ormond has been [illegible] a liability to the house [illegible] and [illegible] will know [illegible] These gentlemen have always understood the advantages of their situation in the trade and have spared no pains to make these advantages known to the surrounding country. Their jobbing trade is large and they make this a special feature of their business. Their cotton factorage business has been a satisfactory one and that it is so is evidenced by their increasing patronage in this department. The splendid connections of the house in the provision markets give them the very best and closest margins, and their well established reliability also adds to their facilities for buying.

CURE FOR PILES.

Piles are frequently preceded by a sense of weight in the back, loins and lower part of the abdomen, causing the patient to suppose he has some affection of the kidneys or neighboring organs. At times symptoms of indigestion are present. Constipation, dizziness of the stomach, etc., moisture like perspiration, producing a very disagreeable itching, [illegible] ling wants, is a common attendant. Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles yield at once to the application of Dr. Boschee's German Syrup, making it just this article you should always have in the house, for coughs, colds, and bronchitis. Price 50 cents and $1.00, samples free. Sold by A. J. Peck, Druggist. 3

Wild Cherry and Tar

Everybody knows the virtues of Wild Cherry and Tar as a cure for any affection of the throat and lungs. Combined with these two ingredients are a few simple healing remedies in the composition of Dr. Boschee's German Cough and Lung Syrup, making it just this article you should always have in the house, for coughs, colds, and bronchitis. Price 50 cents and $1.00, samples free. Sold by A. J. Peck, Druggist. 3

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To the trade [illegible] tonic to the stomach and more truly beneficial in its action than the famous [illegible] California liquid [illegible] is rapidly superseding all others. Try it. Large bottles for sale by Kimbrough & Lee.

ROYAL

BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure.

This powder never varies. A marvel of purity, strength and wholesomeness. More economical than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low test, short weight, alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 Wall St., N. Y.

Fall and Winter Goods

C. B. PAUFVE

UPHOLSTERER

And General House Furnisher.

PAPER HANGING

HOUSE DECORATION A SPECIALTY.

[illegible] next door to Marks' Restaurant & Co's store on Front Street.

The best and surest Remedy for the Cure of all diseases caused by any derangement of the Liver, Kidneys, Stomach and Bowels. Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Complaints and Malaria of all kinds yield readily to the beneficial influence of

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

The pleasant to the taste, tones up the system, relieves and preserves health.

It is purely Vegetable, and cannot fail to prove beneficial, both to old and young.

As a Blood Purifier it is superior to all others. Sold everywhere at $1.00 a bottle.

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Parable to all Digestives. Price $1.00 per bottle.

C. F. STADIGER, Proprietor,

140 SO. FRONT ST., Philadelphia, Pa.

COLEMAN'S CORN MILLS

HAWKES NEW CRYSTALIZED LEBSES TRADE MARK

Combined with Great Refracting Powers

THEY ARE AS TRANSPARENT AND COLORLESS AS LIGHT ITSELF.

PERFECT SIGHT PRESERVED.

DR. RICE,

For 12 years at 322 Market Street, Louisville, Ky

Ist, Third and Fourth, [illegible]

Spermatorrhea and Impotency,

SYPHILIS, GLEET, Gonorrhea,

Cures Guaranteed in all Cases undertaken.

PRIVATE COUNSELOR

SMITH'S BILE BEANS

Cannot sell at Cost

We employ Salesmen who do not belong to the "goody-goody." George Washington, Cherry Tree Class, who can't tell a lie. They can, but won't.

We Promise Politeness

from the part of these youngsters, but

We Pay 100 Cents on the Dollar

For our Goods, consequently

GOOD GOODS! CHEAP GOODS!

And dispose of our goods to the rich and poor alike.

We are not the oldest or richest house in the business. We do not sell goods at cost.

TRASK'S SELECTED SHORE MACKEREL

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CHEAPEST EATING ON EARTH.

Ask Your Grocer for them.

TRASK'S ARE THE ORIGINAL SELECTED ONLY MACKEREL! Take no other brand.

TRASK FISH CO., ST. LOUIS, MO.

OPIUM

TO ADVERTISERS

A list of 300 newspapers divided into states and sections will be sent on application—FREE.

To those who want their advertising to pay we can offer no better medium for thorough and effective work than the various sections of our Select Local List.

GEORGE P. ROWELL & CO., Newspaper Advertising Bureau, 10 Spruce Street, New York.

OUR STOCK

Is peculiarly adapted [illegible] season to the Local Trade, embracing all

The Latest Novelties

And we request an inspection before purchasing.

ONE PRICE TO ALL

QUARLES,

ROGERS &

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Mechanic's Aid, Building & Loan Ass'n,
OF
MERIDIAN, MISS.

Presented September 7, 1886.

OFFICERS:

GEO. S. COVERT, President.
H. F. BROACH, Vice-President.
L. A. DUNCAN, Secretary.
C. W. ROBINSON, Treasurer.
HARDY & MILLER, Attorneys.

Board of Directors.

G. S. COVERT, H. F. BROACH.
J. C. LLOYD, A. B. WAGNER,
A. A. DILLEHAY, W. S. LOTT,
H. M. THREEFOOT,

Valuation Committee.

A. B. WAGNER, J. C. LLOYD,
H. F. BROACH.

Finance Committee.

H. M. THREEFOOT, A. A. DILLEHAY,
W. S. LOTT.

Payments are due on or before the *second* Monday of each month.

Fines are due on payments delayed.

Loans made on the *third* Monday, 8 p. m., at the office of the Company.

Office: 90 Front Street, Meridian Miss.

REPORT.

To the Stockholders' Meeting, to be held Tuesday, September 7th, 1886, 8 o'clock, p. m.:

The year just closed has been the most trying of the four through which we have passed. A combination of circumstances has prevented the rapid retirement of shares anticipated; yet our progress has been quite satisfactory, and that notwithstanding an early reduction in premiums bid, and necessary expenditures for office furniture, rent and triple taxes.

In order to avoid ruinous taxation the Board authorized the Secretary to visit the Legislature in connection with Attorney Watts, from the Peoples' Association, last Spring, and secure, if possible, the repeal of the penalizing license in lieu of the required advalorem tax. This was accomplished; but it could not be done in time to avoid the payment of a prior assessment of $231.14; while the $1000 license had also to be paid.

The business of the twelve months may be summed up as follows:

Dues 1192 shares, 234 certificates, First Series,	$14,304.00
Interest 482 shares in loans, First Series,	8,265.00
Fines on delayed payments, First Series,	81.70
Insurance due on last Assessment, First Series,	50.05
Total,	$22,691.35
Dues 'on 1st shares, 1st series, Second Series,	$3,000.00
Interest 228 shares in loans, Second Series,	3,710.00
Fines on delayed payments, Second Series,	12.00
Insurance due on last Annual Report, 1st Series,	13.35
Total,	$6,735.35
Total in both Series,	$30,087.20
Paid by Secretary to Treasurer,	$25,773.68
Not adjusted with Secretary,	178.85
Arranged too late for payment to Treasurer,	84.00
Total,	$26,037.20

There have been 124 shares lent to 30 stockholders in the First Series, this year, and 74 shares to 29 stockholders in the Second Series; being six less than last year in each. This leaves 710 in force in the First, and 372 in the Second Series. Transfers of stock in First Series, 34; in Second, 28.

The earnings on loans for the twelve months show as follows:

Premiums or discounts, 1st Series,	$3,051.00
Interest on loans,	8,265.00
Fines on delayed payments, 1st Series,	81.70
Gross, First Series,	$11,397.70
Less expenses, year,	650.39
Net earnings, 1st Series,	$10,727.31
Exceptional taxes and expenses,	214.86
Leaving for 1st Series,	$10,512.05
Premiums or discounts, Second Series,	$2,134.00
Interest on loans, 2nd Series,	3,710.00
Fines on delayed payments, Second Series,	22.50
Gross, Second Series,	$5,866.50
Less expenses, year,	430.00
Net earnings, 2nd Series,	$5,426.54
Exceptional taxes and expenses,	143.25
Leaving for 2nd Series,	$5,283.31
Value of Shares in First Series,	$61.26 ;
in Second,	$57.50.

Besides the balance of funds in the treasury, we have office furniture, including iron safe, valued at $236.35; sufficient to retire fully four more shares. The total investments in loans are: in First Series, $26,900.00; in the Second Series, $45,200.00; making $72,000.00.

Under an amendment to our charter, the Board is authorized notonly to make loans on certificates of stock unencumbered, but to retire stock by purchase when to the best interest of the Association. It would seem that the time has arrived to pursue such a course in the First Series, as the receipts begin to exceed the monthly demands, and the stock can be bought for about half its earnings, which would inure largely to the interests of borrowing stockholders by reducing their terms of payment.

Prospects for the coming year are brighter than that just closed, for the reason that premiums cannot be reduced to the same extent and heavy taxes are not to be paid, while the interest must necessarily increase, and the stock be considerably curtailed.

In conclusion, the Board would express its thanks for the confidence shown by the stockholders in their past management, and urge a greater interest in the general work of the Association; thus encouraging the Board and helping the officers in their sometimes arduous duties.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DUNCAN, GEO. S. CONERT,
Secretary. President.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
People's Building and Loan Association,
OF MERIDIAN, MISS.
September 13th, 1886.

OFFICERS--1886-87:

JNO. T. O'FERRALL, President.
B. F. ORMOND, Vice-President.
W. A. BROWN, Secretary.
D. E. SPINKS, Treasurer.
N. B. WATTS, Attorney.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

J. T. O'FERRALL, B. F. ORMOND,
GEO. W. MEYER, A. B. WAGNER,
SOL. BAUM, R. M. HOUSTON,
Z. E. HOLT.

VALUATION COMMITTEE:

A. B. WAGNER, R. M. HOUSTON,
G. W. MEYER.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

J. N. MELTON, Z. E. HOLT,
B. F. ORMOND.

Payments are due on the third Monday of each month.

Loans made on fourth Monday, 8 p. m. at the office of the Company.

Office: Board of Trade Rooms, Commerce St.

REPORT.

To the Stockholders of the P. B. and L. Association:

There are 1378 shares. Loans made the first year on 119 shares; loans made the second year on 140 shares; total 259 shares, leaving 1119 shares to be provided for.

Eighty-seven transfers have been made during the year.

The premiums have ranged from 20 to 35½ per cent., and averaged 27 per cent. The following amendments to the By-Laws have been adopted:

AMENDMENT FOURTH.

In the event of the failure of a borrower to insure properly upon which this Association holds deed of trust as security, or to pay premium on insurance effected, or to pay taxes when due, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to take out such insurance or pay such premiums or taxes and charge the same to said delinquent, and the said delinquent shall pay the same fine on said insurance or taxes as is imposed in section 6 of the charter of this Association for failure to pay monthly dues and interest.

AMENDMENT FIFTH.

That Section 1, Article 1, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read: The regular annual meetings of this Association shall be held on the second Monday of September in each year.

AMENDMENT SIXTH.

It shall be the duty of the President or Vice-President to cancel the retiring certificate before signing the new certificate taking its place.

Dues collected,	$16,461.00
Interest collected,	3,671.32
Fines "	21.50
	$20,304.01
Expenses for the year,	1,114.20
	$19,290.81

TOTAL ASSETS.

Bills Receivable, loans to stockholders on real estate mortgage,	$51,800.00
Cash in treasury,	$1,568.86
Loans due at Knoxville,	1,437.00
Cash in hands of Secretary,	136.50
Unpaid dues,	92.00
" fines at,	68.35
" interest,	29.52
	$53,492.23
Present value of shares,	698.77
Profit on each share in the series,	57.50
Total profit on each share,	61.26

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. BROWN, Secretary.

Treasurer's Second Annual Report.

1885.		Dr.
Aug.	20, Balance on hand,	$1,464.54
Sept.	Received from Secretary,	1,831.21
Oct.	" " "	1,830.00
Nov.	" " "	1,805.85
Dec.	" " "	1,802.10
1886.		
Jan.	" " "	1,794.55
Feb.	" " "	1,793.58
Mar.	" " "	1,847.77
Apr.	" " "	1,865.00
May	" " "	1,740.26
June	" " "	1,886.29
July	" " "	1,891.66
Aug.	" " "	1,909.40
	Total received,	$21,565.55

1885.		Cr.
Sept.	Paid on warrants,	$ 23.70
Oct.	" "	2,300.00
Nov.	" "	2,285.00
Dec.	" "	1,154.00
1886.		
Jan.	" "	1,815.00
Feb.	" "	1,810.00
Mar.	" "	920.85
Apr.	" "	1,795.00
May	" "	1,902.00
June	" "	1,928.00
July	" "	1,925.50
Aug.	" "	1,909.00
Sept.	" "	1,289.50
		$20,330.70
To balance,		1,568.85
		$21,899.55

E. E. SPINKS, Treasurer.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Sept. 7th, 1886.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the Peoples' Building and Loan Association:

GENTLEMEN.—We beg to report that we have examined the annual reports of your Secretary and Treasurer and find them correct in every particular.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. O'FERRALL,
J. N. MELTON,
J. A. GULLEY.

Approved by the Board,
JNO. T. O'FERRALL,
President.
W. A. BROWN, Secretary. Vice-President.

Notice.

Messrs. W. S. Harris & Bro. are again in possession of the MERIDIAN MILLS, and will run it in addition to their wholesale establishment on Front street. With this they add to their very large grain business already established they will be better prepared than ever before, to fill all orders for everything in the feed line, at much better figures than they could do without it.

They will manufacture the very best bolted meal, cracked corn, and all kinds of mixed feed, and their prices will be as low as the lowest. They ask of the merchants and of the people generally a continuation of their valued favors. They keep it all times a full stock. They buy for cash and will sell at small profits. All orders from a distance will receive prompt attention. se30-1m

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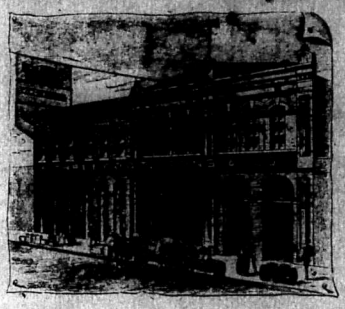

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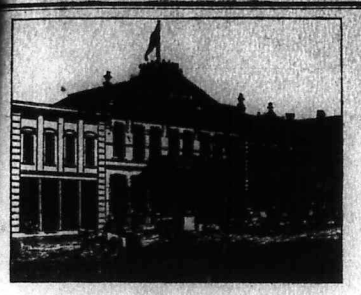

MARKS, LICHTENSTEIN & CO.

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This is conceded by everyone to be the largest house in the State, occupying 167 feet on Front street, running back 75 feet and two stories high. All of their stores are litterally jammed with goods, and hundreds of strangers who have paid this immense establishment a visit, have been astonished at the magnitude of their stock.

The firm consists of Messrs. I. Marks, W. Lichtenstein and the three Rothenberg boys, Levi, Marks and Sam. These gentlemen, by their energy, pluck and perseverance, have extended from a comparatively insignificant concern to the immense establishment that is an ornament to the city. The success of this firm has been really phenomenal. Not only do they own their large mercantile house, but next to Mr. Ragsdale, are the largest real estate owners here. Their real estate consists of the Opera House, International hotel, their magnificent double stores, several valuable lots on Commerce street, ware house on Lee street, one of the finest dwellings in this section and other valuable property in the city.

The success of this house, known far and wide, as Marks, Lichtenstein & Co., has been attended by the untiring, industry and business tact of its several partners, each one appearing to be specially adapted to his particular part of the business. Mr. I. Marks, the senior, is recognized in the eastern markets as a buyer of fine judgment and always wide awake, being uniformly present at all the big sales by importers, manufacturers and underwriters wherever they occur. His presence in the wholesale markets is required for full nine months in the year to enable him to meet the necessities of his house here, as its increasing trade demands regular and constant shipment to fill their numerous orders and sales. The sales of this house last year was over one million dollars, and the wholesale department, which is kept always fully up, is one of the institutions of the city and State. Its entirety, together with the judgment exercised in buying, enables it to meet and overcome all competion. A test of its capacity has been recently made in a competitive sale to the Taylor Turner combination of Mississippi and Alabama. This combination is composed of shrewd, close cash buyers which combines some twenty odd stores in making purchases.

The city of Mobile is usually selected for this competitive sale, and representatives from all the citiesare invited to attend, as was the case about three weeks since, when the representatives of Marks, Lichtenstein & Co., Messrs. Sam Rothenberg and Sol Sugarman, met this grand army of drummers and bore off the laurels, selling almost the entire bill. This shows at once that this house occupies the front rank and has done a great deal for the wholesale trade of this city, giving it a reputation far and wide, as a cheap wholesale market, and whose merchants all have the capital and judgment to go in and win whenever they desire to do so.

The wholesale trade of this city may truthfully be said to have been inaugurated by this house, as it was the first to send out men on the roads to represent them. At first their men were twitted by other drummers, but pluck, sagacity and enterprise always wins, and now when Marks, Lichtenstein & Co.'s men appear on the field, the most of the drummers generally "lay down the spools and pass out."

The retail department of this concern is probably the most elaborate of any house in the State, being constantly filled to overflowing with the latest, freshest and most beautiful novelties in silks, satins, embroideries, dress trimmings, pasmenteries, ribbons, cloaks, hats, shoes and embroidery necessary to suit the taste of the most fastidious lady or gentleman. The concern has forty odd men constantly on its pay-roll as clerks, salesmen, porters, etc., and with its four live men on the road, together with the trade coming to the city, they are kept constantly busy. The house also handled 12,000 bales of cotton last season, and will market a greater amount during the coming season in consequence of its area of trade being extended, the freights on incoming cotton being less than usual. Marks, Lichtenstein & Co. are worthy of being placed at the front and are an honor and credit to any city.

CHARLES SILVERSTEIN,

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, &c.

We delare to call special attention to the card of Mr. Charles Silverstein, dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, &c. This establishment is located in the elegant house of Mr. H. Silverstein on the corner of Front and Rhodes streets, and is fitted up in the most attractive manner. He has one of the most magnificent stocks of gold and silver watches, clocks, silver and plated ware, jewelry, etc., ever brought to this city. Mr. Silverstein is a clever young gentleman, was brought up in Meridian, and since going into business, has made many friends. Every thing to be found in a first-class jewelry store, is here and can be had at the most reasonable price. In addition to fine stock of jewelry, a first-class workman will always be found with this house who will repair watches, clocks and jewelry and fully warrant all work. Engraving done at short notice and in a workmanlike manner.

PROGRESS MACHINE WORKS.

THE PROGRESS MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

The Progress Manufacturing Company is the successor of the Progress Machine Company, and is a joint stock company, incorporated and composed of some of our best and most enterprising citizens. The board of directors consists of G. W. Soule, S. B. Holt, E. J. Martin, J. N. Melton and H. J. Pratt. Mr. G. W. Soule, President and Business Manager, and S. B. Holt, Secretary and Treasurer. They make a specialty of the Self-Tramping Cotton Press, and the "Gin House King" engines. The Self-Tramping Cotton Press is an invention of Mr. G. W. Soule, and no press seems to be coming more rapidly into favor. Over 200 will be sold this season, and all who have used it speak in the highest terms of it. The "Gin House King" engine is also one of Mr. Soule's patents and is regarded as the best and cheapest engine in the market. They do a general machinery and foundry business, repair machinery and furnish all kinds of machinery, saw mills, gins, &c., on the most favorable terms. They keep in their employment over fifty hands, many of them skilled workmen. They have recently erected a large building, a cut of which will be found on this page, and have just moved into it. The building is 100x80 feet, and is scarcely large enough for their rapidly increasing business. Both the "Self-Tramping Cotton Press" and the "Gin House King" engine took the highest premiums at the New Orleans Exposition, and now have an established reputation.

ABE ROSENBAUM'S STABLE.

EAST MISSISSIPPI INSANE ASYLUM

Through the courtesy of one of the trustees of the asylum, Capt. George, we had a pleasant drive recently out to the asylum, just as the sun was withdrawing his lingering rays from the emerald sward which has spread itself so luxuriantly over the undulations near and around it. The briefness of our visit prevented our giving only a cursory examination of things out there, and really we only took a sort of birdseye view of the outside, not having time to give any attention to the inside. Through the kindness of Dr. Rice, we were shown the plans drawn by an experienced and scientific landscape gardener, which the doctor is now executing as rapidly as circumstances will allow, and as it unfolds itself in its accomplishment, it promises to make the asylum grounds very beautiful and attractive.

We had no conception of the natural beauties of the surroundings and how greatly the science of the landscapist brought out, in bold relief, its picturesque and really beautiful outlines. The most noticeable feature just now is an extensive terrace in front, the cost of which, with the work run up into the thousands (eight) and the work been put out to contractors at the usual price of such work. Dr. Rice, however, has combined exercise, pleasure and the useful in the management of his patients, and through them all this work has been done, without asking any extra appropriation from the State. This terrace when completed, with its fountains and parterres of ferns and flowers, covered with a sward of rich grasses, will be as highly ornamental as it is graceful, and add greatly to the general beauty of the grounds. It is proposed also to have a miniature lake near the front approach of the building and a large lake or reservoir in the rear, both of which can be cheaply and easily constructed. The earthwork for the large lake is all done and only awaits some drain piping to complete it. The level shows this lake is high enough above the city to be used as a reservoir for waterworks, and of sufficient altitude to throw water over the highest house in the city.

We were surprised at the amount of work done and we are inclined to give Dr. Rice much credit for his zeal and efficiency generally out there. A chapel is greatly needed and an amusement room also, and we trust our next legislature will be less prejudiced than the last one and lend a helping hand to this truly philanthropic institution and give it all the help it needs. It is perfectly natural that mismanagement should creep in when the workings of a new institution, so to speak, are necessarily experimental, and that mistakes have occurred no one will deny; but the superintendent and trustees are working in great harmony and with a most laudable desire to manage things in a careful and economical manner.

The following are the officers of the institution: Dr. C. A. Rice, Superintendent; Dr. G. S. Johnston, Assistant Physician. Board of Trustees: W. W. George, President; W. G. Stevenson, Dr. M. J. Lowry and R. F. Quarles.

O'NEIL & SON MARBLE YARD.

Among the industries of Meridian that deserves especial mention is the marble yard of O'Neil & Son. They keep on hands a good supply of every kind of marble, and skillful workmen and fill all orders for monuments, tombstones, or other marble work, in the very best style and at most reasonable prices. They give employment to five or six competent workmen and the business is steadily increasing. All the work done in the establishment is under the immediate supervision of Mr. O'Neil himself, whose long experience and good taste in lettering, designs, etc., enable him to execute work that will compare favorably with the best establishments in more pretentious localities. He is assisted by his son, Mr. John H. O'Neil, who has trained out some most elegant and tasteful work. Specimens of their skill and taste may be found in nearly every cemetery in East Mississippi and West Alabama. A visit to this marble yard near the court house will show a number of monuments, headstones, etc., that are all finished in the highest style of art and most creditable to his establishment. There is no better concern of the kind in the state and the [illegible] ensure them [illegible] selves.

EAST MISSISSIPPI INSANE ASYLUM.

[illegible] clothes to [illegible] any similar concern in [illegible] when prices are equal [illegible] pulley to patronize home [illegible] instead of sending money [illegible] outer industries, when it [illegible] returns. Mr. O'Neil is a [illegible] master of his art and his [illegible] high and designs will compare well with any in the United States.

THE MERIDIAN ICE FACTORY

This factory was commenced about three years ago but was reorganized in 1885 by the formation of a joint stock company with an abundant capital, when Mr. R. A. Fewell became business manager, a position which he fills to the entire satisfaction of the public and the company. The present machinery will make per day ten to fifteen tons of ice and gives employment to about twelve hands. It makes an excellent quality of ice and supplies not only the city of Meridian but a great many towns on the railroads centering at Meridian. The factory is now furnished with two large steam engines, to avoid the delay incidental to one getting out of order. They will soon build a large warehouse to store ice convenient to the railroad depots and will be prepared to fill orders at short notice in any quantity.

ABE ROSENBAUM'S STABLE.

The Rosenbaum new stable is unquestionably one of the finest livery stables in the south. Its dimensions are 150 feet front and 125 feet deep, two stories in height, with gambrel or mansard roof. The front is built of red pressed brick, with stone and terra cotta trimmings. The first story is divided into two compartments, containing stalls for sixty horses, mule pens, harness rooms, office, etc. The second story is reached by an incline enabling teams and carriages to drive up, and contains stalls for forty horses, carriage rooms, etc. The attic or third story is intended for buggies, store-rooms and for other purposes.

The building complete will probably cost $15,000. The builder is the well-known, reliable and thoroughly competent contractor, Charles M. Rubush, of this city. The architect is G. M. Torgeson, the architect of the famous New Orleans exposition buildings.

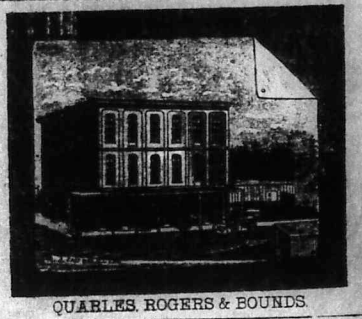
McGRAW, HUBBARD & COCHRAN.

Staple and Fancy Grocers, Corner Commerce and Rhodes Streets.

This firm is the successor to the firm of McGraw, Hardwell & Co., which did a very successful business during the past year, and which, with increased facilities and ample capital to meet all the requirements of their large and constantly growing patronage, has taken rank as one of the foremost and most reliable houses in the State. Their store is a model of neatness in all its appointments, and their stock of goods always fresh and varied. They make their purchases at the very lowest possible figures, and being satisfied with small margins give their customers the benefit of the very lowest possible prices. No house in the State can offer inducements equal to those held out by this firm, and the Times-News has nothing to say when it undertakes to guarantee a verification of all its representations. The individual members of the firm of McGraw, Hubbard & Cochran are well known throughout the section of country contiguous to and tributary to the trade of Meridian and hardly need an introduction to our readers.

Mr. A. B. McGraw came to this city from Noxubee county a number of years ago, and his long continuance in business here has extended his acquaintance among the people and his urbane and gentlemanly manners have gained their good will and inspired confidence in his sagacity and honesty in all his dealings.

Mr. W. J. Hubbard, of Noxubee county, who has but recently become associated with this business, is a gentleman of ample means and extensive acquaintance throughout the section of the State from which he comes. Mr. Hubbard is the lessee and one of the largest stockholders of the Hashuqua cotton factory, a large and well equipped institution in successful operation in Noxubee county, a few miles from Shuqualak. He is also one of the present lessees of the East Mississippi Mills, near this city, and his identification with the business interests of our town will be a considerable acces-



QUARLES, ROGERS & BOUNDS.

goods will be sold at most reasonable rates. All they ask is a trial.

The firm of Barber, George & Lyerly composes a strong team in every sense of the word, and it enters the mercantile field with ample capital, and is fully able to meet any kind of honorable competition.

QUARLES, ROGERS & BOUNDS.

This house was organized on the 13th day of July, 1883, and is composed of the following members:

B. F. Quarles,	J. W. Rogers,
J. S. Bounds,	Jesse Bounds, Jr.,
R. H. Bounds,	J. T. Quarles,
	Geo. L. Haynes.

Prior to the present organization, Mr. Quarles was connected in business here with the well-known firm of Quarles & Brown and Quarles, Brooks & Co., and has been long recognized as a safe, prudent and successful man. Coming here from Winston and being well and favorably known in all the counties contiguous to Meridian, he has enjoyed the confidence of the people and has always commanded a good trade.

Mr. J. W. Rogers has also been in business here for several years, and occupied a prominent position in the trade as Bounds, Rogers & Co. He has been always regarded as a safe and economical business man, and is the

The Messrs. Bounds (Jesse and Jesse) came to this city and connected themselves with the house of Bounds, Rogers & Co., in 1876, which was established in September, 1874. These gentlemen [illegible] have [illegible] and [illegible] energy and [illegible] and add materially [illegible] firm.

Mr. J. T. Quarles [illegible] is a sufficient guarantee of the protection that the interests of his friends also favor him with their business will receive at his hands.

BARBER, GEORGE & LYERLY,

Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise.

The combination composing this well known firm was effected about the 25th of August, and are domiciled at the well corner of Front and Johnson streets. Mr. I. L. Barber has just returned from the Northern and Eastern markets, where he has purchased an immense stock of general merchandise for the house, and they will at once take front rank among the solid and successful mercantile houses of this city. They will do a wholesale and retail business, and have all the advantages close cash bargains can give. They can and will sell at as close margins as any house in the State, and upon as favorable terms.

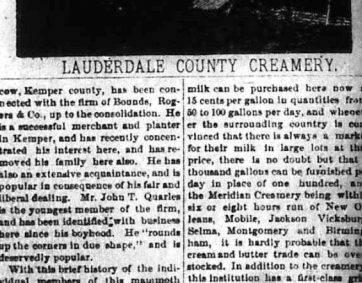
Mr. I. L. Barber has been prominently connected with the mercantile business of East Mississippi with his general headquarters at Hickory, for many years, and is well known as a thoroughly reliable and active business man, being successful in all his business ventures. He is now connected with stores at Hickory in Newton, McDonald's in Jasper and Stamper's in Newton. He is also a stockholder in the Meridian National Bank, and one of the largest stockholders of the Equitable Fire Insurance Co., of this city, and president of the same.

Mr. Thomas J. George has also fine reputation for business ability. His former and many friends will find him, together with Mr. Barber, the active managers of the business here. Mr. George is an old merchant of Enterprise; where he is at present engaged in business, and he is also interested in a successful business at Hattiesburg.

Capt. Chas. A. Lyerly, now of Jackson, is well known in this city and commercial circles generally. He is to the "manor born," being reared at Enterprise, and for many years a successful merchant of that town. Capt. Lyerly is now president of First National Bank at Jackson, and Wanita Woolen Mills. He has long been recognized as a far-sighted and shrewd business man, and is a leader in the commercial circles of Mississippi. His engagement in business here is an indication that prosperous times may be expected, and we confidently look for it.

This firm proposes to engage extensively in the wool and cotton business—representing the Wanita woolen mills, the capacity of which has been largely increased. They will handle wool in all its [illegible] The house purchased, a few days ago, [illegible] $4,000 worth of wool in one day.

Mr. I. L. Barber will give his special attention to the cotton department, being one of the largest interior buyers in the state, having been in the business in handling the staple. Their friends may be assured of receiving the highest market price for cotton, and



LAUDERDALE COUNTY CREAMERY.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY CREAMERY.

The creamery is a new enterprise in Meridian and in the state, and one that has a bright future. The machinery of this creamery embodies all the latest improvements, and situated at Meridian, the great railroad center of the south, there should be no reason why it should not be among the most profitable in vestments. The separating capacity of this machine is about 1,000 gallons per day—the average milk of this county yielding about one gallon of cream to six gallons of milk, which would give a yield, running at full capacity of 150 to 170 gallons of cream per day, which can be sold, with proper brand and energy, at $1.25 per gallon. The skimmed milk, being fresh from the cow, is used for various purposes and is sold readily from wagons at 10 cents per gallon. Mr. John S. Bounds, late of Mos-

cow, Kemper county, has been connected with the firm of Bounds, Rogers & Co., up to the consolidation. He is a successful merchant and planter in Kemper, and has recently concentrated his interest here, and has removed his family here also. He has also an extensive acquaintance, and is popular in consequence of his fair and liberal dealing. Mr. John T. Quarles is the youngest member of the firm, and has been identified with business here since his boyhood. He "rounds up the corners in due shape," and is deservedly popular.

With this brief history of the individual members of this mammoth wholesale and retail house, we will state further that its business is growing daily, and it requires representatives to be constantly on the roads, forwarding orders from all directions. With ample capital and the very best business connections, both at home and abroad, they are able to buy on close margins, and they go into the trade with a well-established reputation as liberal and square sellers. Both the retail and wholesale departments are kept full to overflowing, and for taste, quality and variety their stock cannot be excelled in the south. They pride themselves upon keeping the very best of everything, and particularly the handsomest line of clothing and gents' furnishing goods, of all descriptions, in the state. They deal largely in fine imported clothing, and the most fastidious gentleman can be suited from their counters. To sum up everything, it is only necessary to add that they are prepared to fill any amount of orders, and upon the best terms. They employ 29 men in this business, and self a "half-million" annually. Last season the house handled 10,000 bales of cotton, and is always prepared to buy at highest market prices. They have purchased the three-story building at the corner of Front and Rhodes street, known as the Bennett building, and will occupy it as soon as the lease of the present occupant expires. With the magnificent building and other additional facilities, the house will always be in the front rank.

LAUDERDALE CREAMERY.

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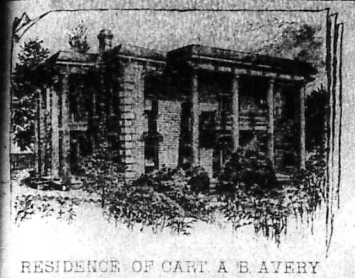
MEYER & WINNER'S STABLE.



RESIDENCE OF CAPT. A. B. AVERY.

HOUSE OF REST.

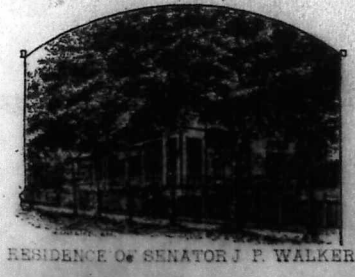
The above institution owes its existence to the Rev. C. S. Starkweather, of this city, and is owned by a stock company consisting of about seventy stock holders. It is a handsome building, built after the most approved style of architecture, well located, neatly furnished, and can not prove otherwise than a blessing to humanity. The object of the institution is for the purpose of providing a home for young men in case of sickness, where they can receive proper care and attention, and the comforts of a home. Such an institution is much needed here, for Meridian, being an important and growing commercial centre, contains a large number of young men living in boarding houses and hotels that are wholly unprepared to give them the needed attention in case of sickness. The "House" is provided with a well-selected library, and the intention is to make the place attractive and home like in every respect, a place where young men, in health as well as in sickness, can feel that they are always welcome. Although the Rev. S. Starkweather (warden of the institution) is an Episcopal clergyman, yet it is non-sectarian in every respect, and has already extended a helping hand to young men of different religious denominations. During the three months of its his ory twenty young men have been cared for and all speak in the highest terms as regards the management. Thus far, one third of the number cared for have been objects of charity, yet all like receive the same kind attention. This elegant and comfortable home is creditable to all its stock holders and this city also, and is an evidence of advancement in the dispensation of charities—oftentimes costly needed. Too much praise cannot be awarded to its founder, Rev. S. Starkweather, and it will ever remain a fitting monument to his kind heart and good principles of the benefactor of the sick of this city.

RESIDENCE OF HON. J. S. HAMM.

A. J. PECK,

Wholesale and Retail Druggist.

Among the most prominent drug houses of the State is that of A. J. Peck. He is not only a live druggist, but one of our most enterprising business men, and a visit to his emporium will convince the most skeptical that he means business. Mr. Peck has spent his life in selling and compounding drugs, and he is now preparing and selling a number of patent medicines of his own invention that are meeting with great success and are destined to have a large sale. Among these are his Worm Syrup, Liver and Kidney Cure, and others that will be found mentioned in his advertisement. Considering the time they have been before the public they are remarkably popular and are rapidly coming into general use. He has a large stock of everything usually found in a first-class drug store. He also has a large stock of books and stationery and sells everything at bed rock prices. When you come to Meridian call at his establishment and you will be sure to see something you want.



RESIDENCE OF SENATOR J. P. WALKER.

WHITFIELD & LIDE, DRUGGISTS.

This firm occupy a prominent place among the drug houses of Meridian. Dr. R. H. Whitfield is an old resident of Meridian and is one of our worthiest and most enterprising citizens. He is always foremost in every good work, and has the highest character for integrity and fair dealing. His junior partner, Mr. Lide, is a young gentleman, reared in Sumter county, Alabama, and has cast his lot with us and comes highly recommended. They have a large and well selected stock of the purest drugs and chemicals, and all other goods usually found at a first class drug store, and sell at the lowest prices. Their store is one of the most popular resorts in the city.

They also make a specialty of garden seeds and are prepared to furnish their customers with Landreth's and Buist's well known garden seed, either in job lots or by retail. They also prepare a number of proprietary medicines that are coming into public favor very rapidly, and being compounded by Dr. Whitfield himself, who is a scientific physician and skilful pharmaceutist, it is not an assuming fact that their efficacy, for what they claim for them, is speedily recognized. They are popular and reliable and do a handsome business at their location, north side of Commerce street.

J. A. GURLEY & CO.

The saddle and harness business of this city is represented by the enterprising firm of J. A. Gurley & Co., who have been for the last thirteen years connected with the saddlery business of this city. Mr. Gurley is a practical mechanic, raised up in the business and understands all the details of the trade. The firm have a number of workmen, and turn out first-class work. They manufacture all kinds of saddles, bridles, harness, and their work is superior to any sold in this market. They have now on hand a splendid stock of everything in that line which they sell at remarkably low prices. Besides the saddlery and harness business, the firm deal extensively in buggies and wagons, and sell them at the lowest figures.

They handle the celebrated James & Graham wagon, which they warrant to be as good as any in the market, and run lighter than any wagon. They also have always on hand one or two car loads of buggies, and sell them cheaper, when freight is added than they can be purchased and shipped here from the factories.

By always keeping a good stock of the very best articles in their line, and by selling for a small profit, they have built up the largest business of the kind in the State. They have all kinds of buggies, carriages, wagons, etc., and will sell them as cheap, if not cheaper than they can be had in Mobile or New Orleans. This fact the public is beginning to understand and their business in the last year has been nearly doubled.

RAGSDALE HOUSE.

We call attention to the advertisement in this issue in which the celebrated Ragsdale House is offered for sale. This is one of the best known and largest hotels in the gulf States outside of the large cities, and is now offered for sale because of the accumulating years and declining health of its proprietor, Mr. L. A. Ragsdale.

The house has all told 100 rooms, including parlors, dining and servant rooms. The original two-story structure is 200 feet long by 66 feet wide and is surrounded by spacious covered verandas, situated on a corner with handsome front and with beautiful live oaks in the front door yard. The magnificent addition recently constructed is an imposing frame structure, three stories high, with broad verandas upon first and second floors, 120 feet long by 62 feet wide and is connected as an L to the original building.

The rooms in both buildings are noted for being large, airy and comfortable, and the furniture is new and of the most costly and approved patterns. The grounds are spacious and the house has been sought after as the most delightful sojourning place in the city. This house is situated within fifty feet of the union passenger depot, where five different roads land and receive passengers, and is to be connected therewith by special contract, by abandoned covered archway leading into it.

Its accessibility to the trains makes it specially suited to families, and its location within a stone's throw of the principal business houses of this flourishing city, makes it eminently suited to all persons stopping here. This large and spacious hotel only requires proper management to make it speedily the most popular and best paying hotel in Mississippi.

This splendid property is now offered for sale in consequence of declining years and the failing health of its proprietors, and hotel keepers wishing to secure one of the very best locations would do well to look into this property.

Elsewhere will be found a cut of this magnificent building and its grounds.

BROACH BROS.,

Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise.

The house of Broach Bros. assumed its present name and style in 1876, and is now in its tenth year of successful business. It is probably the oldest house in the city, which has never changed the firm name from its inauguration. Messrs. Broach Bros. commenced on their own account in 1872, in the wholesale grocery business and with the then existing favorable rates for outgoing freights, the house did an extensive wholesale grocery business. With a change in freights, the concern closed that line of business and has since been engaged in a general merchandise business. The name of Broach is contemporary with the beginning of business in the city, the Messrs. Broach, sr., born in Ireland, and began their business career as clerks in the house of Broach, Brown & Co. They left this house and set up for themselves in 1872 as before stated, and since that time have been successfully engaged in their present line of business. These gentlemen have an extensive business acquaintance and their trade connections are of the very best character. They have been long recognized as one of the solid houses of the city, and their success is well worthy of imitation. It has been arrived at by the strictest integrity and fair dealing, and this together with their urbane and courteous manner has made them what they are, successful in business and with the esteem of the community in which they live. They are probably the largest dealers in wagons in the State, and make a specialty of this line. Buying largely for cash they can and do sell their customers the celebrated Baker and Tennessee wagons more cheaply than any other house in the State.

METZGER & KAHN.

Wholesale and Retail Grocers.

Messrs. Metzger & Kahn occupy a prominent place in the wholesale grocery business of Meridian. They have two large business houses on Johnson street, filled with a complete stock of fresh groceries, and their trade is constantly increasing. They have customers in every neighborhood that trades with Meridian, and their prices are so reasonable and their manner of doing business so satisfactory that their business is constantly increasing. Messrs. Metzger & Kahn have been for many years in the grocery business, and the present high position they have is due to their energy, industry and good faith in conducting their business. They have more than doubled their business in the last two years. Messrs. Metzger & Kahn commencing each in separate firms fifteen years ago, they have gradually increased their business, and forming a partnership united their old patrons until now their business is one of the largest in the State. They understand the wants of the public, sell good articles at low prices, and are strictly reliable in all their business transactions. We can safely recommend them to the public as an enterprising, reliable firm who deserve the liberal patronage they receive.

CHAFIELD & RAMSEY.

Dealers in Furniture.

Among the well known firms of Meridian is that of Chatfield & Ramsey, wholesale and retail dealers in furniture. The railroad connections of Meridian give such advantages in the way of freights that furniture can be laid down here cheaper than in any town in the State, and as a result it can be sold at a less price, making our city one of the proper markets for furniture in the South. This firm carry a large stock of almost all kinds of furniture, from the finest bedroom sets to the cheapest in use. They keep a full supply of all kinds of furniture found in first-class establishments of this kind. They are clever, reliable gentlemen, and sell at lower prices than have ever prevailed before in this market. Our readers in the country who want to buy furniture of any kind, will do well to their interest to call and examine their stock before purchasing.

RAGSDALE HOUSE.

G. W. MEYER.

Dealer in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Etc.

Mr. G. W. Meyer has been a resident of Meridian for the last fourteen years, and is one of our most solid and substantial citizens. His handsome building on Front street has been fitted up in the most attractive manner for displaying the splendid assortment of gold and silver watches, clocks, silverware, silver-plated goods and other merchandise with which it is filled.

His stock this season will be unsurpassed both in quality and price and offers superior attractions to those visiting Meridian. His present large business has been built up by close attention, promptness and reliability, and he constantly increasing. His stock of fine watches and jewelry is one of the best in the south, and embraces everything in that line from the modest, plain gold ring to the most pretentious jeweled chronometer. In addition to his complete stock of jewelry, which all kinds of people, are can be relied on both for good work, prompt dress and moderate charges.

J. H. SNOW & CO.,

Mr. J. H. Snow, so well and favorably known in Meridian as headquarters for pianos, organs and musical merchandise has established a branch house in Meridian under the supervision of Mr. W. Hs Snow, where every description of musical instruments can be found as well as all other goods usually sold in first-class music stores. They deal in the very best instruments and never deceive a customer as to the quality of the article they sell. Mr. J. H. Snow has sold thousands of pianos and organs in this State and Alabama, and his instruments give universal satisfaction. They have pianos for rent, exchange on pianos, have the latest sheet and music books, and are prepared to give special discounts to schools and music teachers. Our readers who wish to buy a piano or organ when they visit Meridian, should call on the firm and examine their stock and prices.

A. THREEFOOT, SONS & CO.

This well-known firm have recently made a new departure in business. They will hereafter give their entire attention to the wholesale grocery business, and there is no exaggeration in saying that they have the largest establishment of the kind in the State. They have on hand and are constantly receiving immense quantities of staple and fancy groceries, cigars, tobacco, etc. The firm is composed of Messrs. A. Threefoot, H. M. Threefoot, Krutcher Threefoot and Mr. D. S. Lyser. Mr. A. Threefoot has lived here for twenty years, and in East Mississippi for the last thirty-five years, and wherever he is known has hosts of friends. He has always been looked upon as one of our most substantial and reliable citizens. His sons are young men who have grown up in the business, understand it fully, know what their customers want and how to supply them. Mr. Lyser is well known as a most capable, polite and clever gentleman, and has recently become a member of the firm. They deal largely in flour, all kinds of western produce, sugar, coffee, rice, canned goods, confectioneries, etc. They make a specialty of tobacco and cigars, and have every thing that can be found in the largest wholesale grocery establishments. The firm are also agents for the Havana Packing Company, and have a large assortment of their goods on hand. Those wishing to purchase the celebrated Havana hams, which they always have a full supply stored for their customers, will have the advantage of the freight, and there is no reason why this should not be one of the best wholesale markets in the South, and we predict for the firm a large and prosperous business.

LLOYD BROS.

Dealers in Coal, Lime, Plaster and Cement.

The house of Lloyd Bros. is almost coeval with the first business built up in the city, its senior member, Mr. J. C. Lloyd having been engaged in the Coal and Lime business for many years. His introduction of the well known Shelby Lime, in the market gave him virtually a monopoly in the Lime business for a long time, and afterwards comprising Cement, Plaster, and Montevallo Coal and connecting his brother, Mr. L. A. Lloyd, with him as a partner, it has grown to be very large, and is constantly increasing its trade.

These gentlemen thoroughly understand the Coal and Lime business, and buying in large lots, are enabled to give consumers the benefit of low prices. They buy close, and sell on small profits, relying more on the volume of their trade for profits, than large profits on small sales.

The House ships largely on all roads coming into the city, besides supplying the home market with material in their line, which is always good. They claim for the Montevallo Coal, of which they are the special State Agents, that it is superior to all other Coal for domestic use and grates generally. They are also introducing other brands of Alabama Coal, which is giving entire satisfaction. These gentlemen can be found at their offices on Front Street, and are always ready to fill all orders and ship promptly. They are reliable in every sense of the word.

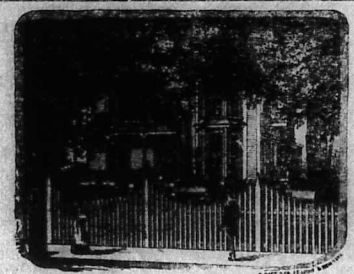
BROOKE, HOLT & CO.,

Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise.

Messrs. Brooke, Holt & Co. began business under the present organization one year since, and have been doing a successful business in general merchandise up to date. These gentlemen have been identified with the business of this city from the days of their boyhood to the present time. Mr. Ed. Holt came here from Nezuba 16 years ago, and has been always actively engaged. He was connected with the well-known house of Jos. Baum & Co. for 16 years, and while there laid the foundation for a successful business career and made many friends. Mr. Henry Brooks has been raised in this city, and is most favorably known. He was a former partner in the house of R. F. Quarles & Co., and has made many friends by his polite, courteous and fair dealing with his customers and the public.

Mr. J. W. Brooks (Wiley) is also "to the manner born," and has spent his life in business in this city. He was also connected with Jos. Baum & Co. for eight years, and won good opinions from all he came in contact with.

This house, though comparatively of recent growth, has already laid the foundation for success, and maintains a most enviable reputation for fair and honorable dealing. They are located on Johnson street and are ready to buy cotton and all country produce at the highest market price, and sell their goods upon the closest margins. They rely upon quick sales and small profits for success in business.



RESIDENCE OF J. C. LLOYD.

F. S. CASTEEL.

Mr. Frank S. Casteel has been actively engaged in the grain and flour business in this city for the past fifteen years, and his thorough knowledge of the same, together with his excellent administrative capacity have given peculiar advantages in buying and selling all the lines he handles. He makes a specialty of Texas red rust proof oats, buying in large quantities and usually sells from fifty to sixty car loads during the season. Buying this desirable and popular varity of oats as he does, he is enabled to sell as low as the lowest.

He is also the sole State agent for the justly celebrated Corona coal from Walker county, Ala. This coal is constantly growing in favor, and is regarded by many who use it as equal in every respect to the Montevallo coal. He has already disposed of a single order of 1100 tons this season of this coal, and has now ordered a large quantity to be delivered at an early day. He also deals in the best quality of Anthracite coal, and sells large quantities of cotton seed meal, which product he handles at very close margins.

Mr. Casteel's business is continually on the increase, in consequence of his prices, and prompt delivery and shipment of all orders entrusted to him. His business tact and affable manners have made him deservedly popular, and he is conceded to be in every sense of the word a reliable business man. An examination of his prices will satisfy all that he cannot be undersold or surpassed in quantity or quality of his specialties by any house in Meridian. It is unnecessary to add that he is one of the largest grain dealers in the State. Call and hear him tell you of his prices.

M. T. CLINE & CO.

Dealers in Queensware, Glassware, Millinery.

Our readers who visit Meridian will find at this establishment, the most elegant and complete stock of china, queensware, glassware, silver plated goods, &c., that can be found in the State, and at unprecedentedly low prices. They sell their goods at bottom prices and in this way have built up a large trade. They also keep an elegant stock of the latest and most fashionable millinery goods. Remember when you visit Meridian that this is the headquarters for millinery and fancy goods, china, queensware, and glassware. Don't forget this. This firm have made a new departure in the way of clerks. One of the pro

prietors and all the clerks are young ladies thoroughly trained, polite and accommodating, understand their business, and pack a lot of goods for a quarter as well as any of the young gentlemen clerks in Meridian. Give them a call.

BROACH, SON & CARTER.

We call attention to the advertisement of this firm, who are the successors of the Meridian Co-operative Association. Mr. Henry Broach, the senior of the firm, is well known as one of most reliable and competent merchants of our city. He has been identified with Meridian since its early history, and has always had the best character for integrity and fair dealing. He has now associated with him in business his son, Walter Broach, and Mr. Ben Carter, young men of good business qualifications, both of whom will give their entire time to the store. They have on hand and will keep a full stock of dry goods, groceries, etc., which they sell at the most reasonable prices. When you visit the city give them a call.

EAST MISS. FEMALE COLLEGE.

Established in 1871, Rev. A. D. McVoy, A. M., President. This institution having opened Sept. 13, 1886, in the most elevated portion of the city, in a pleasant neighborhood and in a locality remarkable for health. It has an able and experienced faculty, and thorough work is done in all departments. The art and industrial departments will be added as soon as practicable this year. The music department is unsurpassed in all its appointments and under the management of one of the most distinguished teachers of the South. So that as good advantages for a complete education can be found here as any where in the land. Patronage from abroad is increasing and the boarding department is rapidly filling up. It is freely patronized by all denominations, and has taken a first-class position among the prominent institutions of the South. Catalogue can be had on application.

E. M. F. COLLEGE, MERIDIAN, MS.

J. G. QUIN, DRUGGIST.

Mr. J. G. Quin succeeded Cameron & Quin several months ago, and is now carrying on a successful drug business at their old stand on the corner of Commerce and Rhodes streets. Mr. Quin is a thoroughly accomplished druggist, understands the business fully and gives his personal attention to all its details. He keeps a good stock of the best drugs, chemicals, patent medicines, perfumery, etc., with all other articles usually found in a first-class drug store. He also does a large prescription business to which he gives special attention.

LOVE & CO., CITY MILLS,

Steam Grist Mill, Corn Meal and Feed Stuffs.

Messrs. Love & Co. have within the last year succeeded Stevenson & Co. in the City Mills, and now have one of the most complete and best managed steam grist mills in the State. They keep a large stock of corn, corn meal, bran, feed stuffs of every kind and deal only in the best articles, which they sell wholesale and retail at the very lowest price. Buying grain by the car load, with the advantage of low freight, they can supply the towns on the different railroads centering at Meridian with corn meal and other feed stuffs, at lower prices than from any other market, and with a good local trade with the retail merchants of Meridian, it is not surprising that they are doing a rapidly increasing business. The firm is one of the most reliable in Meridian and their patrons can depend on getting the best articles in market for the most reasonable prices.

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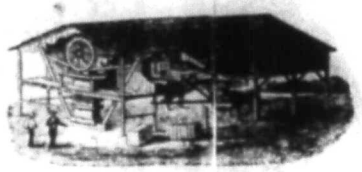

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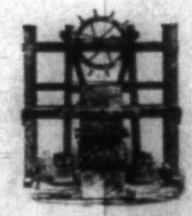

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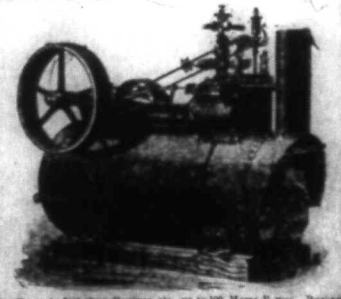

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PRETTY BESS.

First a memory o'er me stealing,
Faint and far;
Something like her form revealing—
Then a shade, all color filling—
Then a star.

Soon dimmer an sight was o'er me;
Nevertheless
Brighter visions upward bore me,
And the form came out before me—
Pretty Bess!

Out of earth and out of time
The dream appears,
Flitting from a far-off clime
And borne upon the fading chime
Of olden years.

Bought I only to adore
The bright barsal
Even now I would implore—
Would back to memory restore
My lost ideal.

Doth some far-off past invest her?
Seemeth so;
And haply angels' arms have pressed her
And immortal lips caressed her
Long ago.

Haply in a land of flowers
She hath roved;
Dreaming in its moonlit bowers,
Living all the golden hours—
Loving, too!

Yea, ah yes, to fadey even
In that land,
She was wooed and promise given
And some hierarch of Heaven
Claimed her hand.

And the melody unbroken
Hath set;
Of the words between them spoken
Though the promise and the token
Be forgot.

For there floateth often by her
A low refrain
Sounded from an unseen lyre;
And my soul is lifted higher
On the strain.

The while from out her dreamy eye's,
The spirit's home;
Flashes a memory that lies
Far off beyond the summer skies
And I sure dome.

FIRE BRICK.
Wholesale and Retail.
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HOUSE FOR RENT.
pply to H. E. FLOURNOY.

Messrs. Hoolman Marks and H. L. Lilienthal are traveling salesmen for the wholesale grocery house of Metzger & Kahn. They represent a good house and are clever gentlemen. Orders given them will be filled promptly and at low market rates.

Chance for a Bargain.

Sealed bids will be received up to Friday, Oct. 8, 1886, at 12 o'clock, noon, for a purchase of the large frame building now occupied by us. Building to be removed by purchaser within ten days from date of sale. We reserve the right to reject any or all bids.
JOS. BAUM & Co.
oct 2, 1886 1td

Mr. J. J. Crane puts in his smiling appearance to-day. He has been engaged his avocation in Jackson.

It seems that Meridian people are in demand at Jackson for bankers, commission men, mechanics and plasterers. [illegible] professions of attorneys is a drug in the city. If Jackson can get enough Meridians, she will in time become a city.

The finest quality of oysters served in every style at all events per dozen at the St. Elmo.

Mr. John Cochran, of Daleville, is in the city.

Meridian Mills.

We again call attention to the reconstruction of the Meridian Mills by Harris, Price & Co. The product of these mills under the former management is a guarantee that it will give satisfaction again. The mills have been thoroughly overhauled and repaired, and will furnish, upon short notice, the best quality of bolted meal, cracked corn, grits, bran and every variety of feed-stuff, and of the best quality. Mr. Robert Harris will give his personal attention to the mill business, and will be pleased to receive orders from his former customers and the public generally.

Theatrical Season.

The lovers of the drama are to be congratulated upon having the beautiful and justly celebrated play, "The Black Flag," on Wednesday night, as an extra performance for this season. This play has had the endorsement of the theatre-going world in all the large cities, and stood the test of the severest critics. It has had almost unprecedented run in New York, and wherever it has been produced it has pleased greatly. The opera house is undergoing thorough repairs and will be greatly improved and will be a credit to any city.

New and Fashionable Millinery.

Mrs. L. V. Rew, Front street, has just received a stock of new and fashionable millinery of all descriptions, and will be pleased to exhibit them to the ladies who wish to purchase anything in her line. These goods are new, and of the latest style, and were carefully selected by Mrs. Rew herself, who has recently returned from the west and east. We suggest to the ladies to give Mrs. Rew a call and examine her goods. se29-1w

New Grocery Firm.

Messrs. Tom and Charles O'Neil have opened a family grocery store on Johnson street in the house formerly occupied by Messrs. Caraway & Suttle. They have on hand and will keep a supply of family groceries, canned goods, etc., which they will retail at reasonable prices. They are clever young men who have been raised in our town and will give satisfaction in quality of goods and prices to their customers. Give them a call.
se30 1w

Advice to Mothers.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. sep 17 d&w1y

For Rent oct. 1.

A neat and desirable residence, with four rooms, kitchen and pantry. Good locality. Rent reasonable. Apply to R. S. Skinner at Skinner & Meyers'. se27 tf

A MARVELOUS CHANGE.

Why People are less Strong, Active and Happy than in past years.

There was a time when the world moved along in the even course of its way; now we are startled by earthquakes, dynamite explosions and surprising things in the heavens and on earth. There was a time when men and women went through life easily, and happily; now they are troubled with headache, sinking at the pit of the stomach, nervousness, restlessness, shiverings, feverishness, dullness and lassitude. There was a time when these troubles were called chills, fever and ague or shakes; now they are all grouped under the single head Malaria!

But under whatever name this disease may be known, it is terrible. It not only destroys the happiness, but it shortens the life. It often starts in so slight a way that its approach is unheeded but before long there comes a chilly or cold stage, especially down the spine. The skin becomes rough. The nails are blue. The back aches. The pulse is quick and light. Then comes the hot stage. The skin is hot and dry, the face flushed, the pulse full and rapid and the mouth parched with a great desire to drink. This is agony.

In this connection the experience of a prominent captain residing on the east shore of Maryland is valuable. He said:

"So great was my suffering with malarial fever, that I almost desired to die, that I might be at rest. My brain seemed to be possessed with delirium. My nerves all ached until each one seemed to stand by itself with the pain. The doctors gave me quinine, but what a mockelvous drug that is! It only added fuel to the fire that was burning me up. I gave up the doctors in despair. They could do me no good. I asked a druggist whom I knew to tell me which one of all these things on his shelves I had better try. He told me Yolina Cordial had cured his oldest son of an attack of fever and ague. I soon found there was no quinine in it, and nothing to hurt me, but everything to do me good. The first bottle helped me a great deal. Then I kept on, with a determination to get rid of the malarial fever so thoroughly that it would never come back again."

The above experience is the same as many hundreds of others have found in the use of this wonderful remedy. It finds the sufferer in the depths of despair, and places him on the road to health and happiness. It takes the despondent and restores hope. In this respect Yolina Cordial is a blessing, and as such it commends itself to all.

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Best of Java, Cordova, Peaberry, Mocha and Rio roasted and ground every day at A. H. Nielon's Family Grocery Store, Johnson street.

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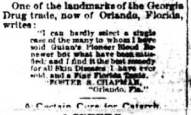

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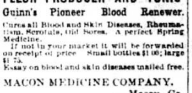

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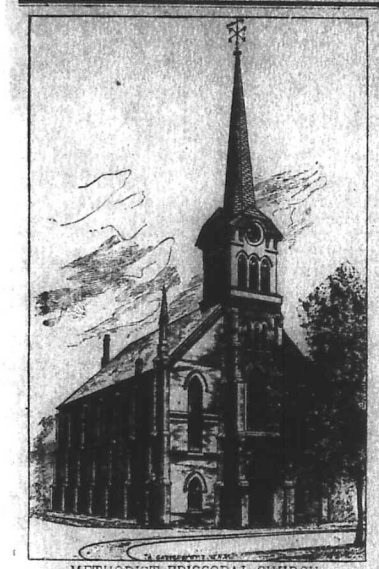


METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

MERIDIAN PLANING MILL CO.

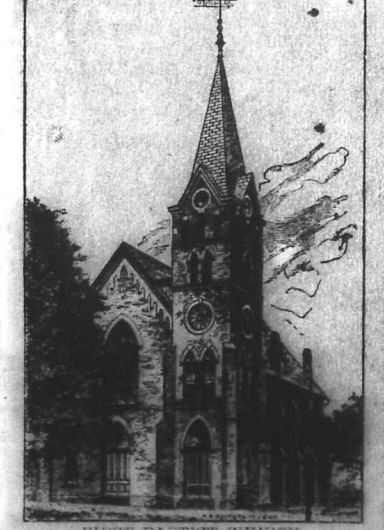
Among the new enterprises of Meridian that deserve special mention is the Meridian Planing Mill Company, organized two years ago and already getting a large and increasing patronage and becoming a factor in the growth and prosperity of the city. They deal in rough and dressed lumber, shingles, lathe, white pine sash, brackets, mouldings, etc. They make a specialty of doors and blinds and can supply them in any quantity, and at prices lower than they can be purchased in any Southern city. Mr. G. Smalshaf (he manager, is a practical machinist, a most clever and accommodating gentleman, who understands fully the wants of the people and will sell only good articles at a fair price. They have already extended their business in every direction on the railroads that center in Meridian and new orders are constantly coming in. Our readers who need building material of any kind will find it to their interest to call on Mr. Smalshaf or write and get his prices before purchasing.

PLANTERS' COMPRESS.

JOHN T. BALL & CO.

The senior member of this firm is the "pioneer" merchant of this city. He gave Meridian its name, contended at once for the necessity of a cotton compress, and built himself the first one ever put in operation here. Also, the first machine shop here was built and run by him. He gave the location of the Williams & Covert cotton factory. The general machinery and manufacturer's agency business for sale of all kinds of farm "power" engines, such as engines, gins, cotton and hay presses, corn and cotton seed mills, etc., as per their advertisement, was opened by the senior member in 1874, and in 1878 his son became associated with him—who had been trained to the business.

Their sales run into thousands of Victor Sugar Mills—also close up to their engines, gins, etc. They cover a territory to the extreme boundary of this state, and often of Alabama, shipping, as they do, direct from the factories. They claim as their motto "fair and square dealing with all men" and that no man can or shall undersell them.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

A GRAND REAL ESTATE SALE

IN MERIDIAN, MISS.,

BY L. A. RAGSDALE.

I will sell on easy terms more than two thousand lots, suited either for business, residence or manufactories in the city of Meridian.

I do not offer them for sale because of a want of confidence in the future of Meridian, but because of my extreme bad health. I am unable to give my business any attention. My confidence in the future of Meridian is stronger to-day than it ever was. It is now no imaginary city. It has a population of nearly ten thousand, and five trunk line railroads, with others projected that will surely be built in a very short time. This is the center of the "Queen and Crescent system," composed of the Cincinnati Southern and the Vicksburg and Meridian with its Texas connections, the New Orleans and Northeastern, and here too, the shops of that great system are located. This is the western terminus of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad, and the Mobile and Ohio crosses them at this point. The Warrior Coal Fields railroad is now an assured fact, and the Pensacola and Memphis road is fast assuming shape, and its early completion is no longer a matter of doubt. With them completed this at once becomes the best location in the South for manufactories of all kind, and the wholesale mercantile business, for the coal, iron and mail belt of East Mississippi and Alabama are so near as with the completion of the W. C. P. R. R., the raw material can be placed here so cheaply that with our facilities for distribution the various industries that go to make up a city will assurely come as that water seeks its level. We have no rival towns or cities within one hundred miles of us, and we are located in the heart of as fine a country as is in the world, with a soil that yields abundant crops of every kind grown in the South, with splendid water and magnificent timber, and as healthful a location as can be found anywhere with larger receipts of cotton than any other place in the State, and a number of houses that are selling annually more than a million dollars worth of goods, with at least [illegible] school facilities, twelve churches and ample banking facilities.

The lots I offer have been reserved until the present. They, with nearly all the lands in Meridian, were purchased by me in 1858, when there was a forest where there is now a beautiful and progressive little city. Meridian has reached that point from which she can not recede. The interests are too varied, the trade too well established, the industries too numerous, the capital invested too great, and the confidence of her citizens in her future too strong, which with the prosperity of her business and professional men is an assurance of her great future.

J. N. MELTON & CO., HARDWARE, STOVES AND TINWARE.

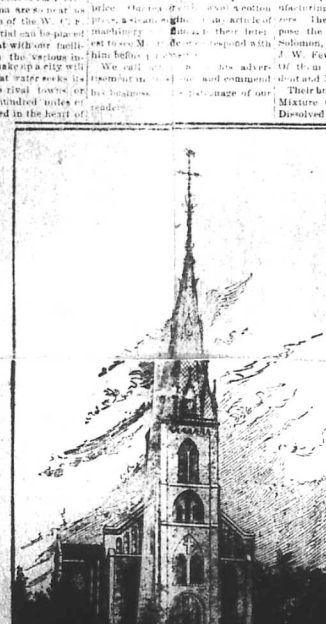
J. N. Melton & Co. occupy two stores, one on Front street and the other on Commerce street, the latter being used exclusively as a depot for stoves, and are doing a large and successful business. They have a large establishment and keep always on hand a large stock of iron, nails, hardware of every description, stoves, tinware, iron fencing, cane mills and evaporators, agricultural implements of every description. They have the cheapest wholesale and retail hardware store in the State, and do a constantly increasing business. They make a specialty of the celebrated Charter Oak stoves and are able to supply them in any quantity. Buying in large quantities and receiving freight by the car load at greatly reduced prices, they are able to sell cheap, and we can assure our readers who need anything in their line that they will give satisfaction both in the quantity of the goods and the prices. During the last twelve months their business has greatly increased, and is now, we have every reason to believe, the largest in the state. Besides everything usually found in a hardware store, they employ, and do a large business in roofing, guttering and all other kinds of tin work. They keep employed in this work from eight to ten men and make large contracts for that class of work in nearly every part of the State. Their work is of the very best quality and always gives satisfaction. This work is done at all notice and in the very best style. Our readers from the country who visit Meridian should not fail to call on J. N. Melton & Co. and examine their stocks and prices.

SOUTHERN STANDARD COMPANY

This company, of which Hyde is the owner and manager, was located here in 1879. At that time Mr. was president and Mr. A secretary. Since then M gaged in another enterprise of his interest to The company has been able accession to the Indianapolis. In the last seven have manufactured and of their celebrated Presses, that are now in eration in almost every and neighborhood in this States.

About twenty hands at their works in the Southern Standard and cheaper cotton press thousands of [illegible] trained [illegible] served the highest competitors at the Fair, and also at [illegible] and judging by the will continue to cut their cotton presses. Mr. Hyde to the manufacturers of general machinery, steam engines, saw mills, cotton [illegible] all kinds and sizes manufacturers a call during best year known in this business in first class best manufactured in the United States and will be very low price. Our [illegible] a cotton press, a saw mill, or machinery, [illegible] him before purchasing.

We call [illegible] advertisement in [illegible] and commend to the business [illegible] readers.



CATHOLIC CHURCH.

KIVLIGHAN & LEE.

(Successors to Kivlighan & East & Co.)

This firm occupies the large and commodious brick building corner of Hall and Commerce streets. A visit to their store convinced us that this firm is wide awake and doing an immense business, and that the public appreciate the advantages this house affords them in supplying them with the purest drugs and medicines at the lowest prices. They carry a large stock of school books and school supplies, note, letter and cap paper, white lead and painters' supplies. They also do a large prescription business, carrying a full line of Dr. E. R. Squibb's preparations for compounding prescriptions. Their stock of lubricating and burning oil is immense. In fact, their stock is complete in every branch and they intend by fair dealing and purest goods at the lowest prices to make their business second to none in the State. Dr. Lee will soon be with the house to welcome his host of friends and acquaintances from his old home in Neshoba.

T. P. NEAL & CO.

This House, of which Mr. T. P. Neal is the well known head, is now in successful operation in this city, Mr. Neal having returned after an absence of three years as a manufacturer of Tobacco, in Lynchburg, Va.

Mr. Neal has been the Pioneer and leading Tobacconist in Miss. since [illegible] and may be said to be trained and boy hood in the Tobacco business. His facilities are unsurpassed, as all connections are directly with the largest manufacturers of Tobacco and Cigars in the United States, and he is prepared to duplicate prices, and give as favorable terms as any manufacturer in Virginia.

McMILLAN STOVES AND TINWARE.

Mr. A. McMillan has been for nineteen years in the stove and tin ware business at Meridian. He has probably sold more stoves than any man in the State and he does a large business. He now lives in the building, and by the saving in freights can afford to sell at reduced prices. He confines his business strictly to stoves and tin ware with a moderate stock of house furnishing goods, and has never ventured into the general hardware trade. Of the great number of brick business houses erected in Meridian during the last nineteen years, covered with tin roofs, cornice work, etc., two-thirds have been the work of Mr. McMillan, one of the firms of which he was a member. Specimens of his work can be seen all over the city, and they show artistic skill in carrying out the designs of the architect and establish his reputation in this branch of his business. He makes a specialty of the celebrated Buckeye Bellmont Stoves, and also of the Champion Monitor Stove. He keeps a full supply of all kinds of cooking and heating stoves and sells at low prices. Our readers who visit the city and want anything in Mr. McMillan's line should give him a call before purchasing.

MERIDIAN FERTILIZER FACTORY.

This home company is composed of our best citizens, and has been in successful operation for three years, manufacturing a superior article of fertilizer. The following gentlemen compose the board of directors: J. S. Solomon, C. Berney, G. W. Meyer, J. W. Fewell and W. L. Goldsmith. Of them Mr. G. W. Meyer is President and Mr. C. Berney, Secretary.

Their brand is the "Standard Home-Mixture Guano," an Ammoniated Dissolved Bone and Potash Fertilizer, using the formula of the best agricultural chemist in the South, after repeated analyses of the stalk, bowleaf, lint, seed and every part of the cotton and corn plants and made of the purest material, regardless of cost, consequently it is almost odorless) and containing the richest elements of plant food and having been practically tested for years, it has been found exactly suited to our soil, climate and crops.

It is so compounded as to permit the gases to escape through the growing and fruiting season.

Its ingredients of Bone, Ammonia, Pota-h, Nitre, Magnesia, Cotton Seed Meal, High Grade Superphosate are so compounded and manipulated as not to decompose until plowed in the soil, where it will not vanish into the air, but be taken up by the roots of the plant as food. A large per cent. of many "guanos," especially "Home Mixing" brands escape into the air by decomposition and is lost before using. The purer anything is, the less smell it has; decay should not take place in materials intended as plant food until placed in the soil, when it will feed the plant and not escape into the air. The Standard Home-Mixture Guano is so rich and concentrated that it will do to haul a long distance, while cotton low grade fertilizers will not pay for such handling. This fertilizer does not burn and scorch in drouth like fiery guanos. Prepare land by deep plowing, cultivate shallow and use Standard Home-Mixture and you will always succeed. Give this high grade guano a trial once and you will never use any other. Then the company should be patronized, because it is a home institution composed entirely of home folks, who have invested their money largely and intend to make home goods, that will surpass all others. It will be for sale in every town in East and Middle Mississippi and Western Alabama. Nearly every merchant in Meridian will handle it. "Standard Home-Mixture Guano," will be branded on every bag and farmers need not be imposed upon, by having something inferior placed upon them.

Ask for and take only the "Standard Home-Mixture," for it is the best and cheaper than any other of like grade and richness.

THE EQUITABLE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MERIDIAN.

The Equitable Fire Insurance Company of Meridian is composed of members and officers selected from among the most prosperous and leading business men of this city and the surrounding country. It is the pioneer Fire Insurance Company of this portion of the State and issued its first policy in May last, since which time it has steadily grown in favor and largely increased its business. The stability of this company and the well known character and financial ability of its stockholders are being appreciated elsewhere than at home, and is constantly bringing new business to the "Equitable" from sections remote from its domicile. This is, in every sense of the word, a home institution and merits the patronage of all who desire policies in a thoroughly reliable company. Its officers all live in this city and are thoroughly acquainted with the details of the insurance business and are well and favorably known in financial circles. The business of the company for the present is transacted in the office of its Secretary, Mr. J. C. Lloyd, on Front street, but the equitable will build for its own use a handsome structure in the course of a few months.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

A. M. CRANE & CO.

Wholesale Confectioners and Bakers.

Messrs. A. M. Crane & Co. have located their candy manufactory and bakery on Commerce street, and are actively engaged in supplying the wholesale trade of this city and other parts of the surrounding country with the purest and best cane sugar candies. These goods have been subjected to chemical analysis and nothing deleterious or impure found in them. They claim, and do manufacture pure goods without any adulteration. Their orders are constantly increasing and they manufacture from 800 to 1000 pounds daily of the best quality of stick and fancy candies. With a constantly increasing trade, the branch of their business promises to become a large one, and justly so too, as the house always give satisfaction. The confectionery and bakery business is also carried on in the highest style of the art, and "Crane's Wedding Cakes" and bread are too well known to require comment here. The house is prepared to fill orders promptly, and solicit a trial.

JEWISH SYNAGOGUE.

BROACH & DOBSON, COTTON COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Messrs. Jas. F. Broach and W. H. Dobson associated themselves together in the Cotton Commission business in June last, and are located on the corner of Lee and First streets, with well arranged and commodious warehouses, together with classing and office room, and have every facility and convenience for the successful handling of the great staple. Both of these gentlemen are well and favorably known in this city.

Mr. Broach, formerly connected with the firm of Beach, Crandall & McInnis, has been identified with the leading business houses of the city for many years, and especially of late years, with the cotton commission business. He has given this line his special attention and is recognized as a careful and close seller, thoroughly posted and wide awake in his business.

Mr. W. H. Dobson has also been identified with the cotton business here, and has been in it since his boyhood. He was raised in Mobile, and removing to this city in 1877, embarked in cotton buying for eastern and foreign spinners. Mr. Dobson is an acknowledged expert in classing cotton, which together with his business attainments gives him great advantages as a cotton seller.

These gentlemen have the entire confidence of this community, and we predict for them a successful career, which seems already assured.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.